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SENATOR WAYNE ALLARD MEETS WITH NEW UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE NOMINEE Receives assurances regarding Pueblo Depot cleanup project

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-Colorado) met Thursday with Ken Krieg, who has been nominated to replace Michael Wynn as Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Logistics in the U.S. Department of Defense, the official charged with supervising the chemical weapons cleanup at the Pueblo Depot.

Wednesday, Senator Allard said that he was considering putting a hold on Krieg's until he could determine that Krieg is committed to going forward with the Pueblo Depot chemical weapons cleanup in the manner prescribed by Congress.

"I am pleased to report that Mr. Krieg gave me his personal assurances that the program will go forward as Congress has directed," Senator Allard said. "I see no reason at this time to delay his confirmation."

"He pledged that he would put together an action plan for moving forward with this program in a constructive manner. Clearly, he plans to follow the law, including not transporting the chemical weapons across state lines, and complying with the Chemical Weapons Convention," Senator Allard said.

"I also strongly encouraged him to visit Pueblo and meet with the local community and officials from the State of Colorado," the Senator said.

"I will be holding Krieg to his word," Senator Allard said.

Although the Senate Armed Services Committee has conducted a hearing regarding the Krieg nomination, no date has been set for a committee vote on his nomination.

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